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SUBJECT: ELIMA REQUEST FOR MATERIALS

ON ALI-FOREMAN FIGHT

REF: (A) USIA 11340 AND (B) KINSHASA 4033

1. POST APPRECIATES AGENCY RESPONSE (REFTEL - A)
AND IS COMPLETELY IN AGREEMENT THAT POST SHOULD NOT
BE "OVERINVOLVED" IN EVENT NOR SERVE AS PRINCIPAL
DISTRIBUTOR OF MEDIA MATERIAL.

2. POST PLEASED THAT EDELMAN, INC., AS INDICATED
REFTEL (A), HANDLING FIGHT PROMOTION WHICH WILL, IT
IS HOPED, BE ADEQUATE IN UPCOMING MONTHS TO
PRECLUDE FLOOD OF LOCAL REQUESTS FOR MATERIAL.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE AGENCY VERIFYING IF
EDELMAN INTENDS TO SEND PROMOTION MATERIALS
IN FRENCH, SINCE IT IS PROBABLE THAT IF ARTICLES
ARE NOT IN FRENCH, POST WILL BE INUNDATED WITH
REQUESTS FROM ZAIRIAN MEDIA FOR TRANSLATIONS,
A COMMITMENT WE COULD NOT MEET.

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4. MEANWHILE TODAY'S PROBLEMS ARE STILL WITH US. USIS OFFICER VISITED JUNE 3 BY SPORTS EDITOR KINSHASA DAILY ELIMA WHO HAS BEEN RUNNING INTERESTING AND DETAILED SERIES OF ARTICLES ON FIGHT. HE REQUESTED INFORMATION ON BACKGROUNDS OF FIGHTERS -- THEIR YOUTH, CAREERS, INTERESTS -- AND A GOOD SELECTION OF PHOTOS.

5. POST WOULD APPRECIATE AGENCY EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF SUPPLYING VIA DTS OR POUCH FOR DELIVERY TO ELIMA, PIECE ON BACKGROUND AND CAREER OF EACH FIGHTER, FROM EDELMAN OR PERHAPS FROM IPS MORGUE.

6. WOULD APPRECIATE SUPPLY OF PHOTOS ASAP (REFTEL (A), PARA 3.).

7. IN ORDER MAKE PREPARATIONS SOON AS POSSIBLE, POST WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING AGENCY PERSONNEL WHO WILL BE IN KINSHASA TO COVER FIGHT FOR AGENCY MEDIA.

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